

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 3, 5, 9, 11, 14, 16-19 and 21 as follows. Note that all the claims currently pending in this application, including those not presently being amended, have been reproduced below for the Examiner's convenience. Please add Claims 28-30.

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B. (Currently Amended) An image-forming apparatus comprising

an envelope;

an electron source and an image-forming member arranged within said envelope;

an electron source drive circuit;

an electroconductive member arranged on an inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image forming member; and

an electric ~~circuit~~ current flow path A extending between said electroconductive member and the ground without passing through said electron source and said drive circuit, wherein

said electric current flow path A has a resistance lower than the resistance of another electric current flow path B extending between said electroconductive member and the ground by way of said electron source or said drive circuit, and

wherein said envelope carries an anti-charge film arranged on said inner wall surface thereof.

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A. (Previously Amended) An image-forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said anti-charge film is electrically connected to said electroconductive member.

3/5. (Currently Amended) An image-forming apparatus comprising:
an envelope;
an electron source and an image-forming member arranged within said envelope;
an electron source drive circuit;
an electroconductive member arranged on an inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image forming member; and
an electric ~~circuit~~ current flow path A extending between said electroconductive member and the ground without passing through said electron source and said drive circuit, wherein
said electric current flow path A has a resistance lower than the resistance of another electric current flow path B extending between said electroconductive member and the ground by way of said electron source or said drive circuit, and
wherein said envelope carries an electroconductive film having a sheet resistance between $10^8 \Omega/\square$ and $10^{10} \Omega/\square$ on said inner wall surface thereof.

4/6. (Original) An image-forming apparatus according to claim 3/5, wherein said electroconductive film is electrically connected to said electroconductive member.

5/9. (Currently Amended) An image-forming apparatus comprising:
an envelope;
an electron source and an image-forming member arranged within said envelope;

an electron source drive circuit;

an electroconductive member arranged on an inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image forming member; and

an electric ~~circuit~~ current flow path A extending between said electroconductive member and the ground without passing through said electron source and said drive circuit, wherein

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said electric current flow path A has a resistance lower than the resistance of another electric current flow path B extending between said electroconductive member and the ground by way of said electron source or said drive circuit, and

wherein said electron source is entirely surrounded by said electroconductive member.

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11. (Currently Amended) An image-forming apparatus comprising:

an envelope;

an electron source and an image-forming member arranged within said envelope;

an electron source drive circuit;

an electroconductive member arranged on an inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image forming member; and

an electric ~~circuit~~ current flow path A extending between said electroconductive member and the ground without passing through said electron source and said drive circuit, wherein

said electric current flow path A has a resistance lower than the resistance of another electric current flow path B extending between said electroconductive member and the ground by way of said electron source or said drive circuit,

said electric current flow path A has a conductor terminal abutting against said electroconductive member, and

wherein said conductor terminal is drawn out of said envelope through a substrate side thereof where said image-forming member is arranged.

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(Currently Amended) An image-forming apparatus comprising:

an envelope;

an electron source and an image-forming member arranged within said envelope;

an electron source drive circuit;

an electroconductive member arranged on an inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image forming member; and

an electric ~~circuit~~ current flow path A extending between said electroconductive member and the ground without passing through said electron source and said drive circuit, wherein

said electric current flow path A has a resistance lower than the resistance of another electric current flow path B extending between said electroconductive member and the ground by way of said electron source or said drive circuit,

said image-forming member is arranged opposite to said electron source and said electroconductive member is arranged on a substrate side of said envelope where said electron source is arranged, and

said image-forming member has an accelerator electrode for accelerating the electrons emitted from said electron source and a voltage applying terminal of said accelerator electrode is drawn out of said envelope through a substrate side thereof where said electron source is arranged.

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15. (Original) An image-forming apparatus according to claim ~~7~~
14, wherein said electric current flow path A has a conductor terminal abutting against said electroconductive member.

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16. (Currently Amended) An image-forming apparatus comprising:
an envelope;
an electron source and an image-forming member arranged within said envelope;
an electron source drive circuit;
an electroconductive member arranged on an inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image forming member; and
an electric ~~circuit~~ current flow path A extending between said electroconductive member and the ground without passing through said electron source and said drive circuit, wherein

said electric current flow path A has a resistance lower than the resistance of another electric current flow path B extending between said electroconductive member and the ground by way of said electron source or said drive circuit,

said image-forming member is arranged opposite to said electron source and said electroconductive member is arranged on a substrate side of said envelope where said electron source is arranged, and

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said image-forming member has an accelerator electrode for accelerating the electrons emitted from said electron source and a voltage applying terminal of said accelerator electrode is drawn out of said envelope through a substrate side thereof where said image-forming member is arranged.

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17. (Currently Amended) An image-forming apparatus according to claim 14, wherein said voltage applying terminal of said accelerator electrode ~~and the side through which it is drawn out~~ comprises a conductor and an insulator, said insulator covering part of said conductor.

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18. (Currently Amended) An image-forming apparatus according to claim 17, wherein said electroconductive member is arranged ~~proximate to where~~ surrounding said voltage applying terminal ~~of said accelerator electrode is drawn out with said insulator disposed therebetween.~~

19. (Currently Amended) An image-forming apparatus comprising:
an envelope;

an electron source and an image-forming member arranged within said envelope;

an electron source drive circuit;

an electroconductive member arranged on an inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image forming member; and

an electric ~~circuit~~ current flow path A extending between said electroconductive member and the ground without passing through said electron source and said drive circuit, wherein

said electric current flow path A has a resistance lower than the resistance of another electric current flow path B extending between said electroconductive member and the ground by way of said electron source or said drive circuit,

said image-forming member is arranged opposite to said electron source and said electroconductive member is arranged on a substrate side of said envelope where said electron source is arranged, and

wherein said envelope carries an anti-charge film arranged on said inner wall surface thereof.

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~~20.~~ (Original) An image-forming apparatus according to claim ¹²~~19~~, wherein said anti-charge film is electrically connected to said electroconductive member.

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~~21.~~ (Currently Amended) An image-forming apparatus, comprising
an envelope:

an electron source and an image-forming member arranged within said envelope,

an electron source drive circuit;

an electroconductive member arranged on an inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image-forming member, and

an electric ~~circuit~~ current flow path A extending between said electroconductive member and the ground without passing through said electron source and drive circuit, wherein

said electric current flow path A has a resistance lower than the resistance of another electric current flow path B extending between said electroconductive member and the ground by way of said electron source or said drive circuit,

said image-forming member is arranged opposite to said electron source and said electroconductive member is arranged on a substrate side of said envelope where said electron source is arranged, and

said envelope carries an electroconductive film having a sheet resistance between $10^8 \Omega/\square$ and $10^{10} \Omega/\square$ on said inner wall surface thereof.

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~~22.~~ (Previously Amended) An image-forming apparatus according to claim 21, wherein said electroconductive film is electrically connected to said electroconductive member.

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~~23.~~ (Previously Amended) An image-forming apparatus according to any one of claims ^{1 3 5 6 7 11 12 14}~~3, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 19~~ and ~~21~~, wherein said electric current flow path A has a resistant not greater than 1/10 of the resistance of said electric current flow path B.

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~~26.~~ (Previously Amended) An image-forming apparatus according to any one of claims ^{1 3 5 6 7 11 12 14}~~3, 7, 9, 11, 14, 16, 19~~ and ~~21~~, wherein said electron-emitting devices are cold cathode devices.

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~~27.~~ (Original) An image-forming apparatus according to claim ¹⁷~~26~~, wherein said cold cathode devices are surface conduction electron-emitting devices.

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~~28.~~ (New) An image-forming apparatus comprising:

- an envelope having an inner wall surface;
- an electron source and an image-forming member arranged opposite to each other within said envelope;
- an electron source drive circuit;
- an electroconductive member arranged on the inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image forming member, said electroconductive member being apart from said electron source;
- a ground connection terminal abutting said electroconductive member and connected to the ground, said ground connection terminal having a resistance A; and
- an anti-charge film arranged on at least part of the inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said electroconductive member and connected to

the electron source and the electroconductive member, said anti-charge film having a resistance B, wherein

the resistance A of said ground connection terminal is lower than the resistance B of said anti-charge film.

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(New) An image-forming apparatus comprising:

an envelope having an inner wall surface;

an electron source and an image-forming member arranged opposite to each other within said envelope;

an electron source drive circuit;

an electroconductive member arranged on the inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image forming member, said electroconductive member surrounding and being apart from said electron source; and

a ground connection terminal abutting said electroconductive member and connected to the ground, wherein

a resistance A of said ground connection terminal is lower than a resistance B between said electron source and said electroconductive member.

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(New) An image-forming apparatus comprising:

an envelope having an inner wall surface;

an electron source and an image-forming member arranged opposite to each other within said envelope;

an electron source drive circuit;

an electroconductive member arranged on the inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said image forming member, said electroconductive member surrounding and being apart from said electron source;

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a ground connection terminal abutting said electroconductive member and connected to the ground, said ground connection terminal having a resistance A; and

an anti-charge film arranged on at least part of the inner wall surface of said envelope between said electron source and said electroconductive member and connected to the electron source and the electroconductive member, said anti-charge film having a resistance B, wherein

the resistance A of said ground connection terminal is lower than the resistance B of said anti-charge film.
